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HONGKONG, 28TH MARCH, 1904

The report of Dr. W. W. PEARSE, Acting Medical Officer of Health, on the plague epidemic during the first seven months of last year is of an unusually elaborate character, even in a Colony where we get such painstaking reports as Hongkong. With its appendices, tables, etc., it occupies no less than one hundred pages of the *Government Gazette*. It is obviously impossible to do justice in the course of a single article to the work which has been involved in the preparation of such a document, and we shall only here draw attention to a few of the salient points, leaving other details to be dealt with later on. The total number of known plague cases in 1903 was 1,383, of which 1,245 were Chinese, 43 Indian, 34 European, 22 Portuguese, 14 Japanese, and 5 of other nationalities. The number of known deaths was 1,206, of which 1,161 were Chinese, 4 European, 21 Indian, 9 Portuguese, 9 Japanese, and 2 of other nationalities. Thus the death-rate works out at 88.4 per cent., the smallest since the outbreak of plague in 1894. The following are the death-rates per cent. for each epidemic:

1894	1896	1898	1900	1901	1902	1903
92.7	90.5	80	95.1	95.2	97.5	88.4

For the various nationalities the death-rates in 1903 were as follows:—Chinese, 88.25; European 11.76; Indians, 48.83; Portuguese, 40.90; Japanese, 64.28; others, 40. The Hospital death-rate was only 60.6, the lowest on record since the first outbreak of plague in Hongkong. With regard to the types of plague in 1903, a complete record does not exist, but the return from the public mortuary gives the following figures:—Bubonic, 603; septic, 335; pneumonic, 45; total, 988. When we turn to the question of sex, we find that the Chinese and non-Chinese figures give curiously different results. Only 16.9 per cent. of the non-Chinese sufferers were female, the female population in the non-Chinese community being computed at about 30 per cent. Among the Chinese, 36.4 per cent. of the cases were females, though the Chinese female population was only 27.1 per cent. of the Chinese community when last reckoned. Cases among children, the report notes,

showed a very high figure for females, 165 females and 155 males under the age of 15 having been attacked. Dr. PEARSE points out that Chinese servant-girls, who are mostly between the ages of 5 and 15, might be expected to be attacked more often than others, being worse fed and lodged. From 15 to 60 years the percentage of female cases diminishes considerably. European females, in contradistinction to their Chinese sisters, show the lowest figure of all. Only 5 cases occurred among them during the year, and none were fatal. But it cannot be said that the male European cases were alarming. There were 29 cases with 4 deaths; of the 4, one was imported from Canton, one was a broken-down man living in the native quarter, one was known as a heavy drinker, and the fourth did not die of plague but was found to be suffering from it after falling into a dock and killing himself. In short, the European plague epidemic was very mild, in spite of the number of cases.

Perhaps more interesting than the actual statistics of the epidemic is what Dr. PEARSE has to say with regard to the causes of the spread of the disease. He concludes his report with the remark:—"I am inclined to think that overcrowding, with its vitiation of the atmosphere of rooms and the intimate personal contact which is a result of such overcrowding, is probably the greatest factor in the spreading of a plague epidemic." What then is overcrowding, it may be asked. Hongkong residents are well aware of the notoriety which the city of Victoria has gained for its sins in this matter. Dr. PEARSE writes as follows:—"Strictly speaking, overcrowding has only an indirect relation to cubic capacity. An overcrowded house is one in which there are too many people for the amount of fresh air passing through the house per hour. A building with its windows shut will be overcrowded before a building well ventilated. The accepted standard of 1,000 cubic feet per head is merely arrived at because air can in houses of a temperate climate be changed three times a hour without draught, 3,000 cubic feet of fresh air per hour being the amount required by each adult to maintain health. In a warm climate air may be changed more quickly in a room without causing draught and so less space per head would suffice. But every one who has seen the houses of the Chinese in Hongkong must be struck with the fact that efficient ventilation is impossible. There are no fire-places, the rooms are long and narrow, the window at the front obstructed by verandahs. Streets are narrow, back-lanes and yards are worse. The situation of the City itself tends to accentuate this state of things." This state of affairs, as our readers know, Hongkong is trying now to remedy by the Public Health and Buildings Bill. But of course it must be long before the effect of such an extensive measure can be felt. This year we have been happily free from a plague epidemic so far, although three months of the year are nearly gone. We must not therefore boast that we have already struck a fatal blow at the disease which has cost us so many lives and so much money. We are only starting the campaign. We must carry it on to a successful conclusion, and that will take many years. But we have at least learnt how we have erred worst against the laws of health and so invited the presence of the most terrible of all scourges which afflict the East and at one time afflicted the West also—at that time, namely, when sanitary principles were unheeded or unknown. We cannot plead that those principles are unknown now, and we have therefore imposed upon us the duty of observing them ourselves and enforcing them upon all who dwell with us in this Colony.

Lieut. G. P. Lammert, H.K.V.C., has been granted leave of absence from the 1st April to the 30th July next.

Mr. P. W. Goldring has been appointed a member of the Committee for the Wongchicklong and Queen's Recreation Grounds vice Mr. Frank Browne, resigned.

The Star Ferry *Morning Star* has gone to Canton for the service of the Canton-Patshan Railway. The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. have the new ferry-boat well under way.

Friday, the 1st and Monday, the 4th April, being public holidays, will be observed as Government holidays. Saturday, the 2nd April, will also be observed as a holiday in Government Departments. The Police Magistrates' Department is, as usual, excluded.

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At the Metropole Hotel on Saturday evening Mr. J. Christie, the proprietor, gave a ball in celebration of the giving over of the licence to him.

We understand that the Portuguese cruiser *Adamastor* arrived at Macao on the 25th instant to strengthen the Portuguese navy in the Far East. The *Adamastor* is not unknown in the East, having been out here some two or three years ago.

Quite a number of American bluejackets have deserted at Manila de late. From the battleship *Wisconsin* no less than sixteen men have escaped for whose return within ten days from March 15 the naval authorities offered rewards amounting to nearly two hundred dollars.

The accident to the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company's steamer *Ho-nan* mentioned in our Saturday's issue was, we are officially informed, very slight. She merely fouled the Iron Barrier owing to the fog which prevailed, but this notwithstanding, she made her trip on schedule time. There was no need for her to motor in the stream when she came in, and she went up to the wharf as usual.

The appointments notified in the *Gazette* of Mr. T. S. Smith as Acting Puisne Judge, of Mr. H. J. Gompertz as Acting First Magistrate, and of Mr. J. H. Kemp as Acting Second Magistrate, all to take effect from the departure of Mr. Justice A. G. Wise on leave; of Mr. P. N. H. Jones as Acting Director of Public Works, on the departure of the Hon. W. Chatham; and of Mr. T. A. Hammer as Acting Secretary and Mr. G. N. Orme as Acting Assistant Secretary of the Sanitary Board, on the departure of Mr. G. A. Woodcock.

LECTURE IN THE CITY HALL.

A particularly interesting lecture has been arranged by the Hongkong Odd Volumes Society for this evening in the S. Andrew's Hall, Mr. J. B. Sutor having consented to speak on the highly important subject of "Australia and the British Empire." Mr. Sutor, being the Commercial Representative of the New South Wales Government, is most admirably qualified to discuss such a subject, and it is to be hoped that Hongkong residents will attend in good numbers to listen to him. The matter of Australia's relations with the Empire, it must be remembered, is one which is very important to Hongkong, commercially in particular. The lecture begins at 5 o'clock.

A.D.C. DANCE.

On Saturday night the Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club signified the conclusion of its season by giving a most successful at home and dance at the City Hall. "Fancy costume optional" was the statement on the invitation cards, and undoubtedly the A.D.C. acted wisely in not making fancy dress compulsory, for Hongkong is not quite equal to the task of providing such a large number of costumes as would be required for all the friends of the members of our popular dramatic club.

Nevertheless, a large number of the gentlemen present appeared in disguise, among the most prominent being a Sikh, a French Cuisinier, and a dancing girl. The ladies, for the most part, elected not to veil their identities in any fancy dress. The dance, which was certainly one of the most enjoyable of the season, was kept up well on to the verge of next morning. In fact we should not like to say how many minutes past midnight it was when the last strains of the band ceased.

VOLUNTEER INSPECTION.

On Saturday afternoon the annual inspection of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps was made by His Excellency Major-General Villiers Hutton, C.B., Commanding the Forces in Hongkong and China. His Excellency was accompanied by Major A. B. Hamilton, F.S.C., Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General; and Captain E. S. Ward, 2nd Grenadier Guards, aide-de-camp. The inspection was held on the Parade Ground opposite the Cricket Ground. There were on parade 170 of all ranks, and the inspection was witnessed by several thousands of spectators, including a large number of the Regulars. The Commandant, Major C. G. Pritchard, R.A., was in command, and the other officers present were Major A. Chapman, Sup. Surgeon Lt. E. A. R. Lings, Captains O. Ordish, G. J. B. Sayer, J. H. W. Armstrong, T. Skinner, and R. Mitchell; Lieutenants J. W. L. Oliver, J. A. T. Plummer, G. P. Lammert, W. Nicholson, M. S. Northcote, E. G. Barrett, M. M. Scott, and W. A. Crake, Corps Sergeant-Major W. Higby, and Corps Armourer-Sergeant J. Hawk. The Corps made a splendid appearance under inspection, both in marching past and in general drill movements. The band of the North and Derbyshire Regiment supplied the music.

At the conclusion of the inspection the Corps was formed in close order and H.E. General Villiers Hutton addressed the troops. His Excellency, however, did not, as his predecessor, General Gascoigne, invariably did through his *aide-de-camp*, invite the Press representatives to come forward and note his remarks. Our representative gathered from those who heard the address that His Excellency congratulated the Commandant on the appearance made by the Corps and stated that what he wanted to see was more men. In future the work would be done with 15-pounders, B. L., and Maxim guns, and not with the heavy guns in the forts. The Corps afterwards dismissed.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

THE DEFENCE OF GREAT BRITAIN.

ARMY REFORM.

London, 27th Mar., 2.5 a.m.

In its final report the Reconstitution Committee advises that a naval expert should be appointed to the War Office.

It also recommends that meritorious service shall be rewarded by promotion.

UNIVERSITY EVENTS.

CAMBRIDGE WINS BOATRACE.

London, 28th Mar., 8.35 a.m.

The Oxford and Cambridge boat-race was rowed this morning over the usual course, Cambridge winning by four lengths.

[The two Universities now stand thus:—Oxford, 33 wins; Cambridge, 27; 1 dead-heat. Cambridge has won three years in succession.—E.D.P.]

THE SPORTS.

London, 27th Mar., 2.5 a.m.

In the Inter-University sports on Friday, Cambridge won by 8 events to Oxford's 2.

FOOTBALL.

ANOTHER INTERNATIONAL.

London, 27th Mar., 2.5 a.m.

Scotland and Ireland drew their Association encounter at one goal all.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

CHINA AND THE UNITED STATES.

LONDON, 24th March.
In spite of strong American opposition, China has denounced the Chinese exclusion treaty, which will expire on the 27th December next.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, 24th March.
The death is announced of Sir Edwin Arnold.

THE ANGLO-FRENCH AGREEMENTS.

LONDON, 24th March.
In reference to the Anglo-French agreements telegraphed on the 17th inst. it is understood that these relating to Newfoundland and Nigeria are completed. France renounces all territorial claims in Newfoundland, England paying a small compensation for the few lobster-canneries on the French shore. Great Britain makes concessions in Nigeria, giving the French a short cut to Lake Tchad. In regard to Morocco and Egypt, each party engages practically not to stand in the way of the other, but the commitment of this to paper is difficult. Finally, the points hitherto in question concerning Siam are clearly defined.

THE RUSSIAN TEA IMPORT.

LONDON, 25th March.
A Russian semi-official announcement says that the import of Chinese tea for Russia has been arranged via London, and any gap caused by the war will be filled up by an increased import of Indian and Ceylon teas.

FRANCE AND THE VATICAN.

LONDON, 25th March.
France has sent a vigorous protest to the Vatican against the Pope's speech to the members of the Sacred College in re French anticlerical measures on the 19th instant.

THE GRAND NATIONAL.

LONDON, 25th March.
Moffa ... 1
Kirkland ... 2
Gunner ... 3

THE NEAR EAST.

LONDON, 24th March.
Ten thousand Albanians have revolted at Babatepe. Shukur Pasha with twelve battalions is surrounding them, and ten other battalions are hastening to his assistance from various points.

LONDON, 25th March.
Turkey continues making preparations for all emergencies. Macedonia (P) and Greece have called out the first class reserves, ostensibly for manoeuvres.

THE RUSSIAN FLEET IN THE MEDITERRANEAN.

LONDON, 25th March.
The cruiser *Odyessa* and two destroyers have arrived at Algiers from Suda Bay and will probably proceed to Lisbon on Tuesday.

WAR NOTES.

FROM THE NORTH.

A Tokyo telegram to the N.C. Daily News states that on account of a defamatory Russian article, the *Niroku Shimbun* has been suspended, and the compiler of the article sentenced to four months' imprisonment. An agitation has been started in the Lower House for the expulsion of Mr. Akiyama, the proprietor of the *Niroku*, on the ground of his being a Russian spy.

The *Odeishio Lloyd* learns from a letter, dated Port Arthur, the 17th inst., that there were at Port Arthur on that date about 350 oxen and several thousand pounds of meat. The Russians were so well provisioned in every way that they are making no new contracts for delivery of provisions.

L'Echo de Chine states that the influx of Russian troops into the north of Corea continues. They are in excellent condition. Typhus is decimating the Japanese troops. With regard to the latter statement, we may note that *L'Echo de Chine* has entirely lost its reputation for truth during the present war and has consistently published false news; so that we need not attach much importance to it. It is stated on Russian authority that fifteen unexploded Japanese Whitehead torpedoes have been recovered from the harbour, and that their failure to explode is due to the fact that in their excitement the crews of the Japanese destroyer forgot before launching them to remove the safety pins which are fixed to keep them from exploding until they are to be used in action.

It was reported in Kobe on the 18th inst. that a message had been received to the effect that it is now fairly certain that the *Petrovich*, the *Pobeda*, the *Prezident*, and the *Savastopol* left the harbour at Port Arthur immediately after the attack on the 10th instant, but having been met by a section of the Japanese squadron, which was reconnoitring, retreated into the harbour again on the 13th, where the main Russian fleet still remains. It is believed that the object of the Russians was to make an attempt to join the Vladivostok squadron.

A foreign traveller just arrived from the port of Gusan, on the east of Corea, says the *Kobe Chronicle*, informs us that when he left a few days ago business in the town was going on as usual. Everything was quiet, so much so that up to a short time before leaving the port the foreigners had no idea that the bombardment of Vladivostok had become a chapter in history. When he left, on board the British sloop *Phaenix*, a Japanese squadron was in port, and during the voyage to Nagasaki the squadron overtook the *Phaenix* and passed her.

The N.C. Daily News mentions a rumour current in Shanghai last week that the local shipping agents had received advice from their agents at Newchwang not to despatch any steamers there. Enquiries at the local shipping offices, however, elicited a flat contradiction of the rumour. On the contrary, the N.C.D.N. was informed that all telegrams received from the Newchwang branches are most reassuring, and state that the Russian authorities there will afford every facility to merchant steamers entering the port. Of course the steamers will be subject to be searched by men-of-war for contraband of war. It is expected that Newchwang will be open to shipping in the course of two or three days. H.M.S. *Epiphany* expects to leave for Weihaiwei and Hongkong about the 4th prox.

CRICKET.

H.K.O.C. V. UNITED LEAGUE XV.

The Club gained a meritorious victory on Saturday over a fifteen selected from the Cricket League clubs. The margin in the winners' favour was 31 runs. Neither of the military players chosen for the Club was able to appear, and their places were given to Irwin and Bachelard. The Club won the toss and went in against fifteen in the field, which naturally made run-getting unusually hard. A wretched start was made, and at five minutes the score was 54 for 4 wickets, H. Hancock being then associated with Ward. After the resumption the tail did considerably better than the beginning; but as a matter of fact, there was very little tail in the team. R. Hancock headed the list with a 33; not out, and with 7 double-figure innings in all the total amounted to 162. The League tried 9 bowlers, of whom Rutherford had the best figures. The XV on going in made a much better start than the Club and had the 50 up with only one wicket down; after that, however, the bowling proved too good, and only 131 was reached finally. Sergt-Major Webb's 38 was the top score of the match. Scores and analysis:—

H.K.O.C.	UNITED LEAGUE XV.
Eng.-Com. Garde, R.N., b. Horion	3
T. Sercombe Smith (capt.), b. R. Wicket	7
William Dixon, not out	4
Eng.-Lt. E. Moore, R.N., & b. R. Wicket	11
A. G. Ward, & b. R. Wicket	20
R. Hancock, b. Bradford	20
C. E. S. Cooper, & b. W. B. Bachelard	12
A. Irwin, R.N., & b. W. B. Bachelard	9
R. E. O. Bird, run out	13
R. Hancock, not out	33
F. H. Bachelard, R.N., & b. Wicket	12
Rutherford	12
Total	162

UNITED LEAGUE XV.	H.K.O.C.
Sergt-Major Webb, A.O.C., b. Bird	38
P. T. Lambie, & b. Wm. Dixon	12
Capt. P. G. Davies, A.O.C. (capt.)	7
& b. Wm. Dixon	5
Ron. J. M. Atkinson, & b. W. B. Bachelard	0
R. Wicket, & b. C. E. S. Cooper	0
A. O. Brown, & b. R. Hancock	19
P. Kow, & b. R. Hancock	20
Sergt. Timman, R.N., & b. C. E. S. Cooper	0
R. Bachelard, & b. Garde, & b. Hancock	6
T. H. Raven, R.N., & b. Hancock	0
Hancock	0
D. Nore, & b. Smith	16
Sergt. Shuter, A.O.C., & b. Moore	8
Dixon	8
Sergt. Bradford, A.O.C., & b. Smith	8
Williams, R.A.M.C., not out	6
Total	131

HOWLING ANALYSIS.

H.K.O.C.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bradford	20	6	39	2
Hort	11	2	25	1
Wicket	9	1	11	2
Rutherford	8	3	15	2
Williams	3	2	15	2
Irwin	4	1	8	1
Lambie	2	—	6	—
Davies	4	1	8	—

UNITED LEAGUE XV.

H.K.O.C.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Wm. Dixon	132	2	35	3
Sercombe Smith	8	—	13	3
Cooper	9	1	33	2
R. Hancock	0	—	14	4
Moore	3	1	14	4
Bird	3	4	8	—

FOOTBALL.

H.M.S. "ALBION" V. H.M.S. "CRESSY."

This Navy League match, under Association rules, was played at Happy Valley on Saturday afternoon, there being but a poor attendance, considering the reputation of the teams. The game was won by the *Albion*, which is now the winner of the Navy League as well as of the Hongkong Challenge Shield. The *Cressy* kicked off against the wind, the *Albion* at once working the ball up the right wing. Foreman shot, but sent the ball behind. The *Cressy* then brought the ball into the other half, Bridge shooting without favourable result. A foul was given against the *Albion* men in their own half; Noyes taking the kick and placing well. A foul was next given in favour of the *Albion*. Thompson passed to Williams, when Martin, the *Cressy* half, scored possession, and made a fine kick from the right wing, heading the ball shortly afterwards. Noyes shot well from the opposite wing, but the *Albion* goalkeeper, saving. The *Albion* retained Stanley passing to Williams, and the ball being sent into touch by a *Cressy* man. The *Cressy* having a turn rushed up on the right side, Jackson giving the *Albion* a goal-kick. The *Albion* played hard throughout, there being quite a scrimmage around the *Cressy* goal. First of all the ball went behind off the post, and then it was sent into net by Ball amid great cheering. *Cressy* gamely endeavoured to equalise, eventually securing a penalty kick. McCoy took the kick, Barr saving splendidly amid cheering. The *Albion* forged ahead with a skilful piece of combination in the centre, Williams shooting a little on the wing side of the post. The *Cressy*, always ready to give as much as it took, at once sent a header heading the ball on to the top of the net—very hard lines. Smith (*Cressy* half) scored a couple of opponents, play notwithstanding, being to the *Albion*'s advantage. A corner was given on the *Albion* side, Townsend kicking the leather behind. McGin, as passed to centre from the left wing, nothing noteworthy resulting. The *Albion* gained considerable ground, a kick by Holmes being followed by a header from Williams. After a little play by the *Cressy*, the *Albion* went away again, Wallace scoring a splendid goal with a low striking shot from the right wing. The *Albion* kept the play pretty much as they liked. Spencer passed to Williams, who was prevented from scoring. Williams shot from the left just before half-time. At half-time the score was 2-0 in favour of the *Albion*. On the re-start play remained in the *Cressy* half for a little, but the *Cressy* was the first to be dangerous. Townsend, on the left wing, lost a splendid opportunity of shooting into an open goal; he passed to centre instead. The *Albion* attacked, Ball and Foreman shooting. The *Cressy*, having replied the winners of the Shield, did some pretty work in mid-field, Bridge sending the ball behind. Williams passed to Foreman, who missed, but Thompson, at back, returned. The *Cressy* got away, Townsend serving Bridge, and the latter heading the ball over the cross-bar—hard lines again. The *Albion* drilled up the centre, slowly but surely, and McGin shot a goal. The *Cressy* once more to the fore, Thompson gave a corner. After another corner there was a goal-kick, the *Albion* thereby recovering ground. Williams, Wallace, and Foreman had a lovely piece of foot-work, when an off-side was given to the *Cressy*. The wind, in fitful gusts, freshened up into half a gale, greatly handicapping the *Albion*. They ousted the now somewhat dispirited *Cressy* on several occasions. Ball had a long shot from the left, sending the ball behind on the opposite side. The *Cressy* got clean away, Macdonald scoring the first goal, and receiving great hand-clapping from the Stand. Next a corner was given on the *Cressy* side. The *Cressy* made another forward movement, Bridge losing the ball. A corner was given, and McCoy shot. Barr saving beautifully by jumping. Heaved again shortly afterwards in the same manner; The *Cressy* men were playing much better than previously, Jackson, it was thought by some, forcing Barr into contact with the ball. A dispute arose as to whether it was a goal or not, judgment being finally given for the *Albion*. The *Cressy*, when they had but a minute to go, almost added a second goal, excitement being centred on McCoy. A long shrill blast from timekeeper's whistle ended the game too soon for the *Cressy*'s liking. At the time they were leading the *Albion* men quite a dance. The game resulted in a win for the *Albion* by 3-1.

The teams were:—
H.M.S. *Albion*.—Barr, goal; Thompson and Oliver, backs; Stanley, Holmes, and Spencer halves; Foreman, Wallace, Williams, Ball, and McGin, forwards.
H.M.S. *Cressy*.—Downing, goal; Martin and Briggs, backs; Macdonald, Smith, and Mills, halves; Noyes, Jackson, McCoy, Bridge and Townsend, forwards.
The *Cressy* had almost an equal share of play, but not their forwards could shoot worth his salt. Martin and McCoy, perhaps, played as well as anyone on their side. The *Albion* showed their usual combination, the wing-men, particularly, being very good. Williams displays excellent shooting power.

SUPREME COURT.

Saturday, 26th March.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR WILLIAM M. GOODMAN (CHIEF JUSTICE).

OHAN UT-CHU AND PUN KAN SHAN V. CHU LEE AND CHU YING.

His Lordship delivered judgment in the above case. He said: The case is one of the most important that has come before the Court for many years. It concerns the rights of the Crown and the rights of the subjects in relation to the land in the Praya Reclamation Ordinance, 1889. The case is one of the most important that has come before the Court for many years. It concerns the rights of the Crown and the rights of the subjects in relation to the land in the Praya Reclamation Ordinance, 1889. The case is one of the most important that has come before the Court for many years. It concerns the rights of the Crown and the rights of the subjects in relation to the land in the Praya Reclamation Ordinance, 1889.

back Sections and others fronting the said Praya Roadway, then the proportion of reclamation allotted to the respective owners of such frontage Sections has been determined by the respective lengths of such frontages along the Praya Roadway, to the extent of the line of frontage. Before dealing with the specific facts of this case, it may be well to point out that Section 6 of the Ordinance is very sweeping. The intended reclamation is declared to be the property of the Crown and, subject to the provisions of the Ordinance, the Governor has conferred upon him full power to deal with it in the same way as he can deal with other Crown lands. The words of the section are as follows:—

6. "All the land and foreshore and bed of the sea to be reclaimed under this Ordinance, and all the land occupied by the present Praya roadway, and wall along the line of the Praya roadway, is hereby declared to be absolutely the property of the Queen, free from any restriction whatever, and the Governor shall have power, subject to the provisions of this Ordinance, to deal with the same and to dispose of the same for building or any other purpose in the same way and to as full an extent, as in the case of other Crown Lands; and all property, estate, rights or supposed rights and easements or supposed easements of any persons or classes of persons, whether Crown leaseholders or licensees or otherwise, to the use or possession or occupation of such land, or in any way in relation to such land, foreshore, bed of the sea, embankment, reclamation, or Praya roadway, place, pier, or other place, situate thereupon, are hereby declared to be absolutely extinguished and determined."

It is clear, therefore, that all claims except those provided for by the Ordinance are extinguished. What claims then does the Ordinance provide for? Section 7 deals with these. It commences as follows: "whereas the Crown Lessee or his assignees registered in the Land and Registry Office at the date of the commencement of this Ordinance in respect of the lots of land of sections thereof fronting the Praya Roadway along the line of the proposed Reclamation (which persons, except where/otherwise to the contrary are hereinafter referred to as lessees) or the majority of them, have already declared or signified their readiness to contribute towards the cost to be incurred for and in connection with the works authorised by this Ordinance, provided the Governor will grant to them, as Lessees of such sections, the right to use and occupy the same as if they were the owners of the same, and in the case of each lot having regard to the claims of their lessees, &c. &c."

It will be observed that after the first contribution was paid, the same day as the contribution was paid, no further contribution was required till August, 1899, after both Yin Chow and Chu Chuen were dead. That may, at least partly, explain some of the delay in these proceedings, for the reclamation in front of Lot 53A was not begun until some years after the articles of agreement were made. When the further instalment of contribution was required, application for payment was made by the Treasury to the plaintiffs instead of to the defendants. This mistake probably arose from the name of Yin Chow, the plaintiff predecessor as owner of Sections B and D, mentioned in the Schedule, in the Government notification of 1899, previously referred to. The plaintiffs, accordingly, in July, 1901, paid the sum claimed instead of informing the Treasury of the mistake, and got a receipt. But I cannot see how that affects the question; for when the mistake was discovered a refund of the money was offered and the defendants have also paid the amount to the Treasury, so that whichever party is entitled to get the money back, will doubtless be permitted to do so. On 10th January, 1903, the plaintiffs' solicitors wrote to the defendants asking them to assent to the Crown Lessee of the disputed portion of the reclamation being granted to them on repayment of the contribution, i.e. the cost of making the reclamation, with interest at 8 per cent. The defendants' solicitors declined to assent, but said their clients were prepared to assign an equitable proportion to the owner of Sections B and D. After further correspondence, the defendants' solicitors wrote to the plaintiffs on February 5th, 1903, saying:— "According to our minutes there can be no possible doubt as to the construction of the Praya Ordinance and that the Crown Lessee of Marine Lot 53A is the only person recognised by the Government in his agreement with such Crown Lessees, to carry out the reclamation, and that he is a trustee in respect of the lots of land or sections thereof for himself and for the owners of the other sections of the Marine Lot. Do you agree that this is so? It seems to me that the only decree either of us could get under the Praya Reclamation Ordinance would be that each of our clients is entitled to an equitable proportion of the lot which we have already offered you. There is no object therefore, in stating a special case. The only matter that requires settlement is to ascertain what is the equitable proportion." &c. &c. To this letter the plaintiffs' solicitor replied, on 6th February, 1903, that they claimed for the whole of the lot, and continue as follows:— "We think that there is no possible doubt as to the construction of the Praya Reclamation Ordinance and we are advised that the effect of the Ordinance is to give to owners of sections fronting the old Praya, of Marine Lots, the entire Reclamations in front of such sections. You, however, are contending that the owners of back sections of Marine Lots are entitled to 'share in such reclamations.' They then suggest stating a special case for the decision. Later on, it appears, that the defendants considered the equitable proportion and were prepared to assign, as a block of 337 square feet out of the 5,853 in dispute. The parties could not agree, and after further correspondence between the defendants' solicitors and the Colonial Secretary, the defendants were permitted, at their request, to enter into a possessory agreement for the reclamation on condition that they gave a fresh undertaking to the same effect as Chu Chuen's previous undertaking, namely, either to assign an equitable proportion of the reclamation or to pay an equivalent in money to the owners of Sections B and D and also to indemnify the Government against all claims which may hereafter be made respecting the Reclamation. Now, I hold, that Chu Chuen's claim was founded upon a misconception of the true construction of the Praya Reclamation Ordinance. It is clear that he pressed that claim strongly on the Government when there had been no decision of the Courts upon the point to guide the Government, and was only allowed to sign the agreement on condition that he gave an undertaking certainly intended to have the effect of preventing the just claims of others being ignored and not intended to decide the respective merits either of his claim or that of the frontagers, and, indeed, in his letter of 4th March, 1903, to the plaintiffs' solicitors, the Colonial Secretary expressly said "I am directed to inform you that the Governor has no power under the Reclamation Ordinance 1889 to settle disputes of title. Such disputes must be settled by the parties themselves." It is of course the province of the Court and not that of the Governor to decide the true construction of the Ordinance. The first question to decide then is, to what portion of the disputed reclamation Yin Chow is entitled as frontager. My answer is "the whole." Then being so, has Yin Chow or have the plaintiffs as his representatives so conducted themselves in the matter as to make it unfair and inequitable that the defendants should be held trustees for the whole? It seems to me that if the plaintiffs are willing to refund with interest at 8 per cent. the \$2,000 paid by Chu Chuen to Mr. J. D. Stephens and the money contributed by Chu Chuen and the defendants towards the cost of making the reclamation, I think the plaintiffs predecessor was to blame for not showing more diligence in asserting his rights during his life time, and allowing himself to be overborne by Chu Chuen's vigorous assertion of his claims. I also consider the defendants' predecessor to have been wrong in his construction of the Ordinance. I therefore decide that each side should bear its own costs.

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BOWLING.
HONGKONG CLUB & THE NAVY.
The Navy, having beaten a Club team earlier in the month, on Friday and Saturday last challenged the full strength of the Hongkong Club. The result was a good match and a victory for the Club by 378. The winners had two changes from the team which defeated the Club Germania, W. A. Sims playing for W. B. Walker, who is out of practice, and H. Hancock coming in at the last moment for J. Hooper (who was indisposed) and doing very creditably. The feature of the match was Bonnar's excellent bowling, for he scored over 200 on all four alleys. Ford was very consistent for the Navy and had two scores over 100. Hand Chatter tied for the best score in the alleys, each putting on 277 on No. 4. Hinds, Gray, and Vivian also had two scores each over 240. On Friday the Club led by 184 points; the final scores were as follows:—

CLUB.	1	2	3	4	Total
1—J. W. C. Bonnar	214	214	203	215	846
2—C. P. Chatter	183	137	153	277	750
3—H. Hinds	224	130	210	176	740
4—T. C. Gray	218	204	130	129	741
5—F. M. Gray	173	150	155	191	720
6—H. Hancock	101	168	144	187	600
7—W. A. Sims	195	132	161	144	632
8—J. E. Lee	168	114	113	132	527
Total					5,853

NAVY.

1	2	3	4	Total
1—Lt. Ford	223	197	142	562
2—Lt. Vivian	213	173	138	524
3—Lt. Gibson	193	116	177	486
4—Mr. Brown	163	151	141	455
5—Mr. Horley	141	150	140	431
6—Mr. Brown	166	167	110	443
7—Mr. Brown	169	139	119	427
8—Lt. Bonnar	174	92	169	435
Total				5,278

Majority in favour of club 378.

POLICE COURT.
Saturday, 26th March.
BEFORE MR. T. SHERWOOD SMITH (POLICE MAGISTRATE).

THEFTS.
Wong Hing was charged with entering a house in Bonham Strand, occupied by Chinese families, and stealing a jacket therefrom, the property of an inmate. A *joki* was watching him, and when he came out of the house carrying a jacket the *joki* arrested him and took him to the station. Inspector Gouley was in charge of the case, and testified to the bringing in of the prisoner on the 25th inst. Prisoner was searched, and on him were found a number of pawn-tickets, relating to clothing, brass pipes, etc. Detective Sergeant Sullivan, sworn, stated that he had made enquiries about the articles pawned by prisoner, and found they had been all reported stolen during the last fortnight. He had therefore entered five additional charges against the prisoner. On visiting the houses from which the things had been stolen, he found that the prisoner always had the same excuse for entering, saying he was "looking for a friend," but whom, strange to say, he never found, taking clothing instead. His Worship sentenced him to 1 month's hard labour on each count, making a total of 6 months; and also 6 hours in the stocks.

Li Lan was convicted on a similar charge as the above, and given 6 weeks and 6 hours in the stocks.

Wong Luk, who pleaded guilty to a similar charge, and admitted a previous conviction, was sent to 3 months' hard labour, with 6 hours' stocks, and recommended for banishment from the Colony.

OPIMUM.
Tang Chuk Hong, a comprador to a Japanese firm, was charged with being in possession of excess opium. Evidence was led to show that the accused, as soon as the exercise officer entered the door, threw the opium into the street, where it was found. The tin was found to contain seven mace, but a quantity had leaked out on to the road, which could not be calculated. He was fined \$25.

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Absolutely Pure
To be used always for raising cake, scones, hot tea-biscuits, rolls, muffins, crusts, etc.
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No charge for examinations.
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31, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL
(First Floor Watkin's Building)
Hongkong, 18th February, 1904. [33]

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS TO LET.

No. 1, STEWART TERRACE, the Peak. Apply to—THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD. Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [865]

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LD.

I HAVE This Day resumed CHARGE of the above Company's business. EDWARD OSBORNE, Secretary. Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [866]

VICTORIA CHAPTER No. 525 E.C.

A REGULAR CONVOCAION of the VICTORIA CHAPTER will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, TO-NIGHT (MONDAY), the 28th instant, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Companions are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [867]

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

INTENDING Competitors are reminded that the Entries for the FORTHCOMING ATHLETIC MEETING Close TO-DAY (MONDAY), the 28th inst., at 6 P.M. Sharp.

HAROLD C. AUSTEN, Acting Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [868]



PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held TUESDAY, the 5th day of APRIL, 1904, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of Crown Land at Bonham Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years. [869]

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lot.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Acres.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
1	174	Bonham Road	10' 6" 118' 80' 52' 6"	5,000 24	1,000	

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held TUESDAY, the 5th day of APRIL, 1904, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of Crown Land at Lai Chi Kok, in the New Territory of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for the rest of the term of 75 years if competent for the Government to make it. [870]

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lot.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Acres.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
1	New Kowloon Marine Lot No. 1	Lai Chi Kok	214' 108' 687' 816'	345,023 5,778 10, 2/9		

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per GLEN-TURRET are hereby notified that owing to the steamer having been on fire during the voyage, a General Average bond must be signed, and 20% of the value of the Cargo deposited with the undersigned before delivery can be obtained. MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW. Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [871]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"ANTENOR,"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. where in both cases it will be at Consignee's risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 28th inst.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M. on the 4th prox.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 4th prox. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 5th prox., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [10-12]

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAI TAN,"

Captain Roach, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 29th inst., at 11 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LA PRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [872]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

KOBE (Direct).

THE Company's Steamship

"PERLA,"

Captain A. H. Nottley, will be despatched for the above port TO-MORROW, the 29th inst., at 4 P.M.

This steamer has Superior accommodation for Passengers and is fitted with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [873]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HIOGO AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Imperial German Mail Steamship

"PRINZ HEINRICH,"

OF THE NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

Captain R. Heintze, due here with the outward German Mail about WEDNESDAY, 31st, will leave for the above places about 12.24 hours after arrival.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [5]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"MONMOUTHSHIRE,"

Captain H. N. Vyvyan, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 1st April, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 31st March, at 2.30 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [874]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"GLEN TURRET,"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, where such consignment will be sorted out as per mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 2nd prox. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the steamer's arrival, after which no claims will be recognized.

MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [875]

WANTED.

A DOCTOR for a Coasting Steamer for a Short Voyage.

Apply to—47, DES VEXUX ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [852]

WANTED.

SITUATION by European, CAPABLE CLERK and BOOKKEEPER.

Apply by letter to—"B.N."

Care of Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [853]

WANTED.

THE BUSINESS TRAINING

COLLEGE require additional TEACHERS for Double Entry, and Elementary Bookkeeping, also for a Special System for an Estate Agent's Business.—WARWICK PERLE, Principal. Studio-Watkins Buildings, near G.P.O.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1904. [856]

NOTICE.

THE FIFTH DRAWING OF SIXTY-FIVE DEBENTURES of the Hongkong Club, \$100 each, was held in the Hongkong Club House, on Saturday, the 19th inst., when the following Debentures were drawn for redemption:—

16	393	730	1195	1460
107	430	743	1197	1507
135	479	756	1211	1521
143	533	779	1244	1523
172	603	866	1246	1597
178	619	868	1247	1606
195	653	893	1249	1621
242	693	964	1349	1615
245	696	1077	1363	1613
273	697	1162	1383	1652
330	699	1163	1391	1655
363	702	1177	1417	1673
370	723	1191	1437	1912

and will be PAYABLE at the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on the 31st day of March, 1904, in exchange for surrender of same.

By Order, C. H. GRACE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1904. [79]

ENTERTAINMENT

HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

THE

SECOND SUBSCRIPTION CONCERT

will be given

TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), 29th MARCH, at 5.30 P.M.

in the

THEATRE ROYAL

when

MENDELSSOHN'S "HYMN OF PRAISE" will be given by

FULL CHOIR & ORCHESTRA.

Soloists:—

Miss MURRAY BAIN Mr. G. P. LAMMERT.

Mrs. C. BRADDOCK Mr. G. H. EDWARDS.

Prices of Admission to non-subscribers:—

\$2.51, & 50 cents.

PETER DOW.

Hon. Secretary (voc.).

H. W. D. SCHMIDT, Hon. Secretary (Orchestra).

Seats may now be booked at Robinson Piano Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [714]

THE HONGKONG ODD VOLUMES SOCIETY.

LECTURE

MONDAY, 29th MARCH, 1904, at 5 P.M.

M. J. B. SUTTON, the Commercial Representative of the Government of the State of New South Wales, has kindly consented to deliver a Lecture on "AUSTRALIA AND THE BRITISH EMPIRE" at ST. ANDREW'S HALL, CITY HALL, TO-DAY (MONDAY), the 28th March, at 5 P.M.

The Honorable GERSHON STEWART will take the chair.

Ladies are invited and members may ask their friends.

Attention is specially drawn to the hour.

H. E. POLLOCK, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [857]

R.A.O.B.

KING EDWARD VII LODGE No. 910.

(GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND).

THE Members of the above order are terminating their DANCE SEASON by holding a Ball in the CITY HALL on the 14th APRIL, tickets \$5.00 each. Gentlemen requiring tickets are requested to obtain them early, as they are limited, and can be had from Mr. J. H. OXBERRY, Hongkong Hotel, and Mr. J. J. BLAKE, Hon. Secretary R.A.O.B. Club.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [856]

BOWLING CLUB, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above Club will be held on the CLUB PREMISES, TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), the 29th MARCH, 1904, at 5.15 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Committee together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

J. L. COTTER, Secretary.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1904. [803]

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE

THE EIGHTEENTH YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the Hongkong Club will be held in the CLUB HOUSE, on WEDNESDAY, the 6th APRIL, 1904, at 5 P.M.

By Order, C. H. GRACE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [855]

BOOTHEN MARK LODGE, No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the Members of the BOOTHEN MARK LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), the 29th inst., at 5.30 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1904. [821]

ZETLAND LODGE No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL on SATURDAY, the 2nd APRIL, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1904. [822]

NOTICE TO KOWLOON RESIDENTS

EXTRA COPIES of Daily Press are on sale daily at Mr. H. RUTTON'S KOWLOON STORE, No. 36, Elgin Road. Price 15 cents per copy cash.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1903. [3518]

DAVID CORSAK & SON'S

MERCHANT NAVY

NAVY BOILED

ONG FLAX

RELIANCE CROWN

TARPAULING

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.

Sole Agents.

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE 1893.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARK.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that J. & P. COATS LTD. carrying on business at Ferguson Thread Works, Paisley, in the County of Renfrew in that part of the United Kingdom of Great Britain called Scotland as Yarn Thread and Sewing Cotton Manufacturers have, on the 3rd day of November, 1903, applied for the registration in Hongkong in the Register of TRADE MARKS of the following TRADE MARK.

THE REPRESENTATION OF A RABBIT

in the name of J. & P. COATS LTD. who claim to be the sole proprietors thereof.

The TRADE MARK is intended to be used by the applicants forthwith in respect of the following goods.

COTTON YARN AND THREAD IN CLASS 23.

A Facsimile of the TRADE MARK can be seen at the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong and also at the Office of the undersigned.

Dated the 22nd day of December, 1903.

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER, Solicitors for the Applicants.

8, Des Vexux Road Central, Hongkong.

[8539]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

CAMPBELL, MOORE & CO., LD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 29, Queen's Road Central, on THURSDAY, the 31st MARCH, 1904, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 31st MARCH, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board.

M. A. A. SOUZA, Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1904. [742]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE FIFTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held in the OFFICE of the General Managers, No. 14, Des Vaux Road, Victoria, on WEDNESDAY, the 6th APRIL, at 11.30 A.M. for the purpose of receiving Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1903, declaring a Dividend and Electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 2nd April, at 1 P.M. until WEDNESDAY, 6th April.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1904. [791]

HUMPHREYS' ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that, on and after this date, they can obtain Scrip Certificates for Shares of the new issue in exchange for Hongkong and Shanghai Bank receipts on application at the Registered Offices of the Company, Nos. 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1904. [515]

POLO.

FIRST-CLASS POLO PONY for Sale in Shanghai.

Apply—

BOX 789, Care of Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1904. [838]

FOR SALE.

HOUSE BOAT, 42 feet long; Copper bottom; now lying off Ah King's slip-way. Offers may be sent to—

Care of Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1904. [800]

FOR SALE.

OWNERS leaving the Colony, the Cruiser Yacht "Plover," 58 feet over all, cabin with accommodation for four Europeans, pantry, &c., with all fittings complete. Suitable for parties or shooting parties.

May be inspected on application to THE ISLAND EAST TRADING CO., 10, Des Vaux Road.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1904. [674]

FOR SALE.



BARGAINS IN PIANOS RETURNED FROM HIRE.

OWN MAKE, newly new	\$385
DO.	220
HAARKE, nearly new	485
NEEDHAM, Upright Grand	290
COLLARD & COLLARD, fine	460
OWN MAKE	300
INSTEAD GRAND (COST \$1,600)	660

MASON & HAMLYN ORGANS

\$80. \$100. \$130.



THE ROBINSON PIANO CO., LD.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [640]

HIRANO WATER.

THE QUEEN OF TABLE WATER.
PURE, SPARKLING, INVIGORATING.
THE LEADING MINERAL WATER OF THE EAST
Bottled in Japan by H. E. REYNOLDS & CO.

Beware of Japanese Imitations.

F. BLACKHEAD & CO., AGENTS.
Hongkong, 31st July, 1903. [44]

AMOY ENGINEERING CO., LD., AMOY

CALL FLAG E.

REPAIR WORK to Steamers and
L. L. machines. Castings in Brass and Iron
Moderate charges. Work solicited.
J. D. EDWARDS,
Manager.
Amoy, 8th December, 1903. [78]

SIEN TING.

SURGEON DENTIST.
No. 1, D'AGUILE TREE.

TERMS VERY MODERATE.

Consultation Free.
Hongkong, 21st March, 1904. [95]

SHANGHAI AND HONGKONG DYEING AND CLEANING COMPANY, LIMITED.

STEAM WORKS.

2, GORDON ROAD, SHANGHAI.

MR. FREDERICK J. FREAME has
been appointed Superintendent of the
above works, and is now prepared to undertake
DYEING AND CLEANING of all descriptions.

Goods may be sent from Hongkong either
direct to the works or through the Hongkong
Receiving Office—Hongkong Steam Laundry
Co., Ltd., 2, Bannockburn Arcade (Alley Way),
Queen's Road, and Wm. Powell Ltd., Queen's
Road.
Catalogues and Price Lists may be obtained
on application to the above Offices.
Hongkong, 21st March, 1904. [805]

COLD STORAGE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LD.
I have now 40,000 Cubic feet of Ice
Storage available at EAST POINT. Stores will
be open at 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily, Sundays
excepted to receive and deliver perishable goods.
Wm. PARIANE, Manager.
Hongkong, 18th November, 1901. [57]

THE EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRIA
LASIA AND CHINA TELEGRAPH
COMPANY, LIMITED.

REFERRING to the notice of 21st
December last, the senders of Telegrams
are hereby advised that from the 1st of APRIL
next, the charges for Telegrams will, subject to
revision after three months, be collected at the
rate of FORTY-FIVE CENTS to equal One
Franc.

J. M. BECK,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1904. [824]

WATKINS LIMITED.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The ordinary annual meeting of the share-
holders in Watkins Limited, was held on Satur-
day in the Company's office, Queen's Road, Mr.
Chau A. Fook presided, and there were also
present Messrs. G. A. Watkins, J. W. Osborne,
A. R. Ezekiel, Wong Leung Hwa, Tsung Ng
Sui, and Tsang Yut Kai.

The notices convening the meeting having
been read, the CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen, the
report and accounts have now been in your
hands for some days, I presume you have no
objection to their being taken as read. The
volume of business done by the Company
during last year was slightly better than 1902.
Your general managers, however, consider it
advisable to write off larger sums for depreciation
rather than increase the dividend, which
the slightly larger net profit made, viz.
\$14,989.12 against previous year's \$12,524.74,
would permit. So far, the current year's
business also shows encouraging increase, due,
no doubt, to the enhanced position of our new
premises, which were occupied by us in October
last. Turning to the accounts, I would like to
say a word or two in explanation. Regarding
"Accounts Payable" \$16,173.65, these represent
local bills at the end of December, all of
which have since been paid. The large sum
appearing at debit of furniture and fixtures
is for cost of new fittings from England, elec-
tricity light and gas installations, also for various
improvements to the building introduced since
the contract was signed. Our stock on hand
is about \$23,000 more than 1902, which is due
to our increased business and larger premises.
Our treated water factory is in excellent
working order, and the demand for our pro-
ducts increasing. The factory, which used to
be in Mason's Lane, is now attached to this
building and is, therefore, constantly under the
personal supervision of the general manager,
a change, I may add, that is most desirable.
The structure known as "Watkins" Building has
been erected with funds raised on mortgage of
the building and on the personal guarantee
of the general manager, for which the com-
pany has not been charged with any com-
mission. At the present moment the company
is receiving rents nearly sufficient to pay off the
monthly instalments of capital and interest, so
that we have the use of the whole of the ground
floor of this building at a nominal figure.
Gentlemen, I may tell you that if we have more
capital we will be able to do more business, and
consequently earn larger profits, thus enabling
us to pay you larger dividends. It is, of course,
for you to decide whether to increase the capital
or not. Before proposing the adoption of the
accounts, I shall beg to answer any questions
shareholders may wish to ask.

There being no questions,
the CHAIRMAN formally moved the adoption
of the report and accounts.

Mr. A. R. EZEKIEL seconded, and the motion
was agreed to.

The CHAIRMAN—Dividend warrants will be
ready on Monday and shareholders are request-
ed to apply for them. This is all the business;
thank you for your attendance.

CHINESE INSURANCE CO., LD.

GENERAL MEETING.

A general meeting of the Chinese Insurance
Co., Ltd., was held on Saturday at the office of
the Hon. Sir Paul Chater, Victoria Buildings,
Queen's Road, for the purpose of receiving from
the liquidator a final report together with the
statement of accounts to 31st December, 1903.
Mr. J. GOSMAN, Liquidator, presided, and
there were also present Sir Paul Chater,
Messrs. H. N. Mody, A. Haupt, E. Orniston,
A. J. Raymond, W. S. S. Sassoon, Lau Wei
Chuen, T. P. Cochrane, T. I. Rose, F. M. de
Gruen, J. M. de Groot, E. George, and C. W.
May.

The Chairman said—Gentlemen, with your
permission we will take the report and accounts
in your hands as read. Further, I do not
know of very much to add, the liquidation
of the Chinese Insurance Co., Ltd., having
become quite a recent history, already dating
back as far as 1889. It was only in 1892, how-
ever, that I was placed in charge of the affairs
of this company. The bulk of the liquidation
was finished at that time, and I had only to
watch when I might consider it prudent to dis-
tribute the small remaining assets amongst the
shareholders. A few claims, which were not
covered under the agreement with the London
syndicate, were also brought forward. As you
will notice from the statement of accounts, I
have had to make good the loss on one Japa-
nese loan bond. The bond was sold in the
London market in July, 1891, when it was
afterwards discovered that the bond had been
drawn already in April, 1891, and after taking

due advice I could not but admit the claim. The
claim paid per *Pemport* was originally put for-
ward with £106.17.8, but after a good deal of cor-
respondence I managed to compromise matters
by paying £150. A few other small claims I
have succeeded in refusing altogether. I might
add that the original liquidators, Messrs. F.
Dodwell and St. C. Michaelson, in their report
of the 23rd January 1892, expressed the hope
that the return of capital would probably be
\$11 per share, which you will find in a way has
been realised, and I now beg to propose the
adoption of the report and statement of
accounts, trusting that one of the gentlemen
present will second this.

Sir PAUL CHATER seconded, and the motion
was agreed to.

The CHAIRMAN proposed the following
resolution:—"To those shareholders who make
a written application to the liquidator, Mr. J.
Gosman, on or before the 2nd day of April,
1904, \$1 or a fraction of one will be returned
per share, and any balance remaining after
payment of auditor's fees, printing and other
expenses, is to be transferred to the credit of
the liquidator."

Mr. T. I. ROSE seconded, and the motion
was agreed to.

This was all the business.

HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Council will be held at 3
p.m. to-day.

BUSINESS.

Financial minutes. (Nos. 19 and 20).

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

First reading of a Bill entitled an Ordinance
to provide for and regulate the Employment of
Pilots.

First reading of a Bill entitled an Ordinance
for the Reservation of a Residential Area in
the Hill District.

First reading of a Bill entitled an Ordinance
to amend Ordinance No. 8 of 1882 entitled
"The Banishment and Conditional Pardons
Ordinance, 1882."

Second reading of the Bill entitled an
Ordinance to amend the Proposed Opium
Ordinance, 1891.

Committee on the Bill entitled an Ordinance
to enable effect to be given in this Colony to a
Convention signed the Fifth day of March
Nineteen hundred and two in relation to Sagor.

SHIPPING NOTES.

The *Loong Sang*, from Manila, reports fine
clear with smooth sea to 40 miles off Waglan;
thence to port foggy. The *Chenau*, from same
port, gives a similar account. The *Hailong*,
from Swatow, reports light air from the Chi-
lang; thence to port fog. The *Admiral* and
Hong Wan L. from Singapore, report N.E.
wind and fair weather. The *Anara* from Sei-
gon reports strong monsoon and as far as
Cape Varella; thence to Hongkong light vari-
able winds and smooth sea.

STEAMER MOVEMENT.
The Imperial German mail steamer *Prinz
Heinrich*, carrying the German mails with dates
from Berlin of the 1st inst., left Singapore on
the 26th inst., a.m., and may be expected here on
Wednesday afternoon.

SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Erich Georg & Co. say in their
Weekly Share List, dated Hongkong, 26th
March—

With the exception of a fair business in
Indo-Chinese, and in China Sugars, but little
has been done during the week under review,
although several stocks show a slightly better
feeling, as will be seen by reference to the
quotations list overleaf. The sterling demand
on London is 9½, while the rates on
Shanghai close at 11s. 7½ for a T/T and 11s.
72 for three days sight private paper. Baris-
ter in London is quoted 25½, and Consols 86.
BANK SHARES.—Hongkong and Shanghai
have changed hands at \$605 and \$807½, and
there are further buyers at the higher rate;
London quotes 261. Nationals are wanted at
\$334.

MARINE INSURANCE SHARES.—Unions
have been done at \$470 and a few more shares
can be placed. China Traders sold at \$55½,
to \$56, and buyers at the higher figure.
Indo-Chinese under this heading there is no
change or business to report. A telegram from
Shanghai states that the directors of the
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited, will,
at the general meeting, recommend a dividend
of 20 per cent. and to add \$25,000 to the Re-
serve fund.

FIRE INSURANCE SHARES.—Hongkong are
still in demand at \$224. China have changed
ownership at rates ranging between \$30 and
\$34, and have buyers at the lower rate and
sellers at the higher figure.

SHIPPING SHARES.—Hongkong, Canton and
Macao Steamship shares sold at \$26, \$26½,
and \$26½, and at latter rate shares can be placed.
Indo-Chinese changed hands to a fair extent at
\$88 and \$89½ cash, also at \$92 for 31st July,
and continue in demand at \$88 cash, which is
below the ideas of holders; today Shanghai
quotes sales at 11s. 63 China and Manila sold
up to \$22½, closing with buyers at \$22. Dong-
lass are firmer, and after sales at \$32 to \$33,
are wanted at \$33. Star (Forbes, old), the
buyers at \$30, and sellers at \$31; new shares
are on offer at \$181. Shell Transport sold at
rates ranging between 19s. 6d. and 19s., and
close weakly at latter rate.

REPRESENTATIONS.—China Sugars sold in fair
quantities at \$110 to \$109 cash, \$112 to \$114 per
31st August, and \$116 to \$115 for 30th Sep-
tember, also at \$119 to \$118 for 31st December,
closing with cash buyers at \$109 and sellers at
\$110. London are unchanged with sellers at \$10.
MINING SHARES.—Without business. Rates
are obtainable at \$7; last night's "Hongkong
Telegraph" prints the mining manager's report
for the 4 weeks ended 27th February.

DOCKS, WHARVES, AND GODOWNS.—Hong-
kong and Whampoa Dock Company shares sold
to a moderate extent at \$405, \$205½, \$206 and
\$205, closing with sellers at \$205 and buyers at
\$204. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Company shares have been fixed at
\$20½, and there are further buyers. New Amoy
Docks have sellers at \$37½. Farmanhas have
weakened a little owing to settlement sales, and
the latest Shanghai quotation is 11s. 14½ sellers.
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves have been
done in the north at 11s. 18½ ex the dividend
of 11s. 6 per share, paid on 26th October.

LANDS, HOTELS, AND BUILDINGS.—Hong-
kong Land Investment and Agency Company
shares ruled weak, and hardly anything has
been done in these shares this week; the closing quotation is
\$145 sellers. Kowloon Land, as well as West
Point, has not been mentioned by buyers this
week, and are unchanged with sellers at \$35 and

\$53 respectively. Hongkong Hotels are slightly
firmer and several small lots are enquired after
at \$135 ex the dividend of \$5 per share paid on
21st instant. Humphreys, old, have been done
at \$10½ to \$10½, but are on offer at the higher
rate; the new issue has changed hands and is
wanted at \$260. The latest quotation for
Shanghai Lands in the north is 11s. 16½.

COTTON MILLS.—Shanghai quotations are
unchanged. Hongkong Cottons are obtainable
at the reduced rate of \$14½.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Green Island Cements
are quoted \$25, but without buyers at that
figure; China Borneo are on offer at \$3½ ex
the dividend of 60 cents per share, paid on 21st
instant. A few A. S. Watson & Co.'s shares
sold at \$14, and at that rate more shares are
wanted. Old Electric sold at \$12½ and \$12½,
and more shares can be placed at the higher
rate; new shares are unchanged with sellers at
\$3½. Ropes are offering at \$14½ and less at
\$13. Hongkong Steam Waterworks have
\$220. Hongkong Steam, Moore & Co.'s
shares are for sale at \$40. China Provident
shares are for sale at \$3½. Wattias are
offering at \$7½. China Light and Power have
improved, and a small lot is wanted at \$5.
William Powell's are on offer at \$9½; ex the
interim dividend of 50 cents per share paid on
22nd instant. Langkats have sellers at 11s.
285. The following telegraphic information,
dated 15th instant, has been received from the
manager in Langkat: "Daily aggregate output
of crude petroleum 64,000 gallons; output
petroleum in tanks at date 17,000 gallons;
kerosine made since the date of the preceding
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